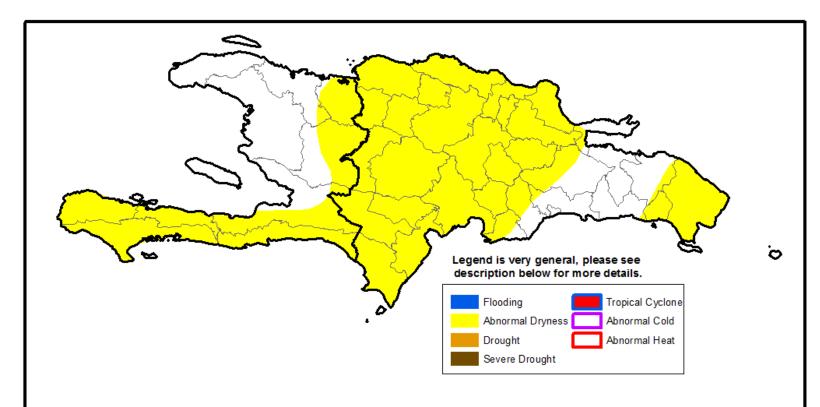


## Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook July 13 – 19, 2017

Central parts of Haiti received the most rain of any part of Hispaniola.



Centre and Artibonite departments of Haiti received the heaviest rainfall last week. According to satellite estimates, more than 150mm of rain was received there. Additionally, upwards of 100mm of rain was observed along the northeast coastline of the Dominican Republic. Otherwise, near or below-average rain was observed for the week; specifically southern Dominican Republic and Haiti received light and generally suppressed rains. Seasonal rainfall performance has been poor over a large part of Hispaniola since the last dekad of May. Rainfall deficits are ubiquitous across the island over that time period. Many areas run deficits between 50 and 100mm, and the driest areas of north central Dominican Republic have deficits that exceed 100mm. The erratic and poor rainfall is seen to be negatively impacting cropping activities. Products such as WRSI and soil water index show mediocre to poor crop conditions in many areas. The forecast for the upcoming 7 days favors a near-average or slightly wetter-than-average pattern of rainfall. The climatologically wet areas of Haiti should expect more than 50mm of rain and central Dominican Republic could receive up to 100mm. Most of the rest of the island should expect around 25mm. Some improvement to ground conditions is possible in areas of abnormal dryness.